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1. During the past few weeks there has been a steadily increasing meat shortage in Bucharest. Meat has been almost impossible to find on the open market or even in the diplomatic store. It is also difficult to buy meat on the black market.
2. Reportedly, increasing demands have been placed upon Rumania by the Soviet Union and greater quantities of Rumanian cattle are being shipped eastward.
3. The scarcity of meat has forced up the prices on hens and ducks. It was observed in the Obor market that hens now cost 1,000 lei per bird of about one and one half to two pounds. A pair of ducks (total weight about two and one half pounds) cost about 1,200 to 1,400 lei.

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